

Guy Benson

From: Zimmerman, Susan K [susan.k.zimmerman@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 1:54 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cell phone ban on airborne aircraft should remain in place

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Although I am married with 3 children and would like connectivity at all times, it doesn't make sense to allow personal cell phone use in the air. Please add me to your list of consumers who oppose removal of the ban.

If you're going to put that many people in close quarters, does it make sense to create more potential for angst among them? If connectivity is a must, maybe have one central phone on each plane. It could be used by the passengers on a limited basis with no personal cell phone use allowed, and, of course, limiting the spectrum for those phones as needed to ensure no harmful interference. Additionally, what about the increased potential for terrorist activity on a given plane as well?

Thanks,
Susan Zimmerman

Guy Benson

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From: Villanueva, Gilbert F [gilbert.f.villanueva@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 2:34 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: FCC Proposal to allow cellphones in flight

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Dear Mr. Benson,

I would like to express my displeasure at the idea of the in-flight cellphone use proposal. I hope I am sending this to the right person if not please accept my apologies in advance. I for one have a hard enough time dealing with cellphone usage in public places. It is so rude I can't even express it in print. I feel that allowing cp usage on flights would create a lot of pissed off people and contribute to 'Air Rage' in certain circumstances. Imagine yourself on a business flight and looking forward to some sleep or rest sometime during the flight, and you get someone next to you, or in front of you getting or making calls and they are loud talkers interrupting your sleep or interfering with your quiet time with the cp.

Thanks for listening
Respectfully,

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To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cell Phones on Airplanes

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I'm a frequent flier and oppose allowing cell phones to be used on airplanes, beyond what's currently allowed. Too many people talk very loud, which is disruptive to the quiet time I enjoy now. Whether I read, do work on my computer or converse with the person next to me, cell phone use would be too disruptive.

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From: Murphy, Margaret A [margaret.a.murphy@boeing.com]
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To: Guy Benson
Cc: Margaret Murphy
Subject: Cell Phone Usage in the Air

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I want to voice my strong objection to the use of cell phones on airplanes. As a person who is quite cognizant of how I might be affecting those around me when I am on my cell phone, I am also too aware of the many folks out there who are not very aware or just don't care how irritating they can be. I think that to open up the air space to this intrusion will just further add to the already increasing irritation that people are feeling when they fly. For many of us, we just want to relax as best we can - people's conversations on board can many times be disruptive enough but the tendency is to speak even more loudly on cell phones while talking about subjects that are normally personal. I trust that this will be passed along to the Commission. Thank you.

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From: Barnhart, Susan M [susan.m.barnhart@boeing.com]
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To: Guy Benson
Subject: cell phone usage on planes

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I'm not sure who to write to on this matter. But I would say no to cell phone usage during flights. I think it would be way too intrusive to passengers and very annoying sitting next to someone who blathers on and on about work or their social life. It's bad enough people blather in elevators, at least that is a short ride.

Susan Barnhart

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From: Peterson, Eugene J [eugene.j.peterson@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 11:33 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Oppose Wireless Phone use on Airplanes

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I am adamantly opposed to allowing airline passengers the ability to use cell phones while in flight. I find it extremely annoying to be forced to listen to someone else's conversation while in elevators, in line at a store, in restaurants etc due to the high volume voices of those involved in the cell phone conversation. It would be terrible to be confined in an airplane while potentially dozens of these high volume conversations were going on.

I apologize if you are not the right contact for this issue. If you are not I would really appreciate finding out how I can oppose this measure.

Gene Peterson

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From: Alban-III, William H [william.h.alban-iii@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 10:59 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Deny Use of Wireless Phone on Flights

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The use of cell phones in our society is resulting in intrusive and disruptive, loud conversations covering personal and intimate data in stores, in parks, on sidewalks, in restaurants, etc. The practice is abusive to the people around them. The tendency is to talk louder than if that same person was having a conversation with a person standing next to them and the phone user is oblivious to the effect on those around them.

I oppose allowing wireless phones on flights. The personal space on flights is limited, by an order of magnitude less than in the above situations. Allowing these abusive people to inflict their "look at me" and "my conversations are important" modus operandi on surrounding passengers is unnecessary and intrusive. It is impossible to use these devices without talking and disturbing the other passengers around them. It is bad enough that they are allowed to use them before takeoff and upon landing. Allowing the verbal disturbances in close quarters will cause unneeded friction and possible physical and verbal confrontations that can be avoided by refusing to allow use of wireless phones on flights.

One of the reasons that airphone usage is down on flights is expense and that their use was not well received by surrounding passengers.

Please do not allow the use of wireless phones on flights.

This is a personal communication and does not reflect the position of my employer.

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From: Fallat, Theodore F [theodore.f.fallat@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 10:10 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cell Phones on Airlines

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PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I hope the FCC comes to their senses and continues the BAN on cell phone use in airplanes.....It's bad enough listening to all the cell phone junkies around the terminal,,,,,,,,,,,,,I certainly don't want to have to have some inconsiderate, self-centered jerk talking in my ear on the airplane. I personally would make that individual wish they were not sitting next to me.....Again,, please allow those of us who wish to have a

little peace and quiet before our business appointments or vacations. Air travel these days is stressful enough. Adding another irritant to the mix would just make it worse.

Thank you,,,,,,,,,,,,,Ted Fallat

Guy Benson

To: Lauren Patrich
Subject: RE: Where can I voice my concern?

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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Maczuga, Chris [mailto:chris.maczuga@boeing.com]
> Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 10:03 AM
> To: Lauren Patrich
> Subject: Where can I voice my concern?
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> Lauren...I travel frequently. I am also a Boeing employee.
> I can't stand cell phone use in cars, so you can imagine how
> I feel about them in planes. Passengers use their cell
> phones up until we begin throttling the engines for take-off.
> I don't like it! The airlines are too liberal anyway with
> passengers. The more you allow passengers to get away with
> the more the industry will suffer later on when these things
> become major issues. Like currently, airlines have a two
> item carry-on policy. But your bag(s) needs to fit within
> the size limits of that "limitation box thingy" in the
> boarding lines. You should see the baggage people are
> allowed to bring on board! Almost always, one persons
> baggage takes up one complete overhead bin. This is not
> right! It is abusive to others who obey the rules. People do
> this because the unloading process is almost always confusing
> as to what carousel your luggage is going to, and because
> business passengers are too impatient to wait for their
> luggage, which on the average takes 20 minutes. You need to
> streamline the process for luggage claims, and don't allow
> cell phones to be used on board. The 9/11/01 is not a
> calling for allowing cell phone use either!
>
> Sincerely,
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From: Wilmering, Timothy J [timothy.j.wilmering@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 9:47 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Opposed to Lifting Cell Phone Ban

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Dear Sir -

As a frequent business traveler, I am strongly opposed to the proposal to remove the ban on cell phone usage on airborne aircraft. I am fearful that they would distract from the quiet required to work, study, or nap on flights, all three very important to me.

I am further concerned about the general din caused by numerous people talking loudly into cell phones, as they are prone to do, distracting passengers from flight attendant instructions or the always difficult to hear pilot announcements.

Please continue the ban.

Regards,

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From: Grady, Stephen [stephen.grady@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 9:04 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Revising ban on Inflight Cell Phone Use

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

Sir,

As you are probably being inundated with comments on this issue, I'll keep mine succinct. Allowing cell phone use in the close quarters of a commercial airline cabin may not interfere with safety but it most certainly will result in increased tension between those looking to stay connected every second of the day and those who want a few hours of down time. The problem is not in the technology but in the etiquette of those using the technology. Perhaps a provision could be made to allow text messaging but not voice. I don't mind folks keeping up to date, I just don't want to hear about their issues, problems and desires when I'm stuck next to them for several hours.

Regards

Steve Grady

P.S. I'm not certain that you are the correct POC for public comment on this issue but if you are not, would you please forward to the appropriate office. Thanks for your time.

Guy Benson

From: McVeigh, Michael A [michael.a.mcveigh@boeing.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 8:56 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: CELL PHONE USE IN FLIGHT

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Dear FAA,

Please, please do not lift the ban on cell phone use in flight! The relative quiet and peace of flying free of interruptions to one's thoughts is very valuable to me and, I am sure to many like me. The thought of sitting beside a fellow passenger being subjected to mindless chatter in a loud penetrating voice is unbearable. I love to fly, but I love the comparative peace of flying. Please preserve this time for reflection, uninterrupted concentration, a relaxing read after a long day. I predict increased hostility among passengers if the ban is lifted. Please-NO CELL PHONES!

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Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2005 8:23 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Phones on planes

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Terrible idea, IF you have ever listened to people explaining their love life after the plane has landed, you never want to hear more in the air. Please don't open the door fully.

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Guy Benson

From: Blukis, Gunars [gunars.blukis@boeing.com]
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2005 12:43 PM
To: Guy Benson
Cc: blukis
Subject: FCC TO EXAMINE BAN ON USING CELLULAR TELEPHONES ON AIRBORNE AIRCRAFT

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

I do not know if you are the person I am supposed to turn my comments to or not regarding Airborne Cell Use (See Subject line), but, you are the only one that I saw, as I did a quick search. Please note that even though I work for the greatest airline company in the world I am not a very good flier. I am overly aware of my surroundings once I leave the ground. If the FCC were to allow the use of cell phones in flight it would only heighten my anxiety, and, probably stop me from traveling by air. I do not have any proven stress releases once I leave the ground. Please do not allow my stress levels to be heightened further.

There are already communication options available to those travelers that need them. Let them survive with those and let the rest of us travel in peace.

Thank you,

Gunars Blukis, PMP
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From: Linda Herman [lhermanpg@cox.net]**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2005 11:58 PM**To:** Guy BensonFederal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary**Subject:** Use of cell phones on airplanes mid-flight

I would like to voice my opposition to this proposal. Listening to someone talking on a cell phone in the closed quarters of an airplane would be very disturbing. There is no way to remove oneself from the situation and it would most definitely have a negative affect upon the traveling public. I don't know how far this process has gone but would like to state that I am totally opposed to it.

Linda Herman
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275

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RECEIVED**From:** Crogg, Larry [LCrogg@cdgnow.com]**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2005 7:25 PM**To:** Guy Benson**Subject:** Cell Phone Use on Aircraft After Takeoff

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Office of the Secretary

Not sure this is the forum to state my option but I am COMPLETELY AGAINST the unfettered use of cell phones during a flight. This is the ONLY time we are free from cell phone abuse. You can not go out to dinner, a movie or any other public place without having to listen to someone who is bored and uses the cell phone as an entertainment device. I can't recall the number of conversation I have been subjected while sitting on an airplane before take-off, dealing with gall bladder operations, problem children, people calling just to say hello because they have nothing better to do, etc.

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RECEIVED**From:** Cindy Sherman [csherman1@comcast.net]**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2005 6:47 PM**To:** Guy Benson**Subject:** Cell Phones on PlanesFederal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

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Dear sir,

I am against any rule changes which would allow increased use of Cell Phones on Planes.

1) I am concerned for safety. I believe, for many reasons, this would increase safety hazards for the crew due to further distractions and disruptions in the cabin.

2) Safety - passengers. Already no one pays attention to crew announcements, safety briefing, etc. I can just imagine how much the passengers would pay attention while they are chatting away !

3) General irritation. I would reduce my flying (currently business frequent flyer) if I had to face listening to cell phone conversations.

The plane time is the only part of my day where I am forced to escape the phone and find time to read, sleep, etc.

Thank you for your consideration.

David Sherman
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Guy Benson

From: RDeBuskRD@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2005 3:54 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cell phone use on airplanes

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Please don't allow cell phones to be used in flight.

There's not much positive about air travel these days and being able to read, think, work, or sleep in peace during flights is a lone remaining pleasure. Just the thought of getting stuck near a road warrior that yaks at full volume all the way across the country is enough to raise my blood pressure. Surely lifting the ban would only promote an increasing amount of air rage, don't you think?

Ruth DeBusk

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Guy Benson

From: PETSIPONA@aol.com
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2005 6:40 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cell Phone use on aircraft

I am very much opposed to cell phone use on aircraft.
Mary Iglesias

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From: Lynn Ulrichson [Lynn.Ulrichson@urbandesignassociates.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2005 1:42 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: cell phone use on airplanes

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I think this should be prohibited. It is annoying when someone is talking during a movie or play on their cell phone and I am sure it would be annoying to hear it on a plane. Most people I know try to relax or read during plane rides and wouldn't want someone yapping the whole time either.

I think this should be prohibited.

Thank you

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Guy Benson

From: Raymond Bezanson [randrb@peoplepc.com]

Sent: Monday, April 11, 2005 12:27 PM

To: Guy Benson

Subject: Aircraft/ cell phones.

Mr. Benson,

I oppose any legislation that would allow the use of cell phones in aircraft during flight. Their use on the ground where one can escape the nuisance is bad enough. Keep them out of captive audience range.

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From: Bernie [bagjr@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2005 11:48 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cell phone use on planes

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I am a long time cell phone user and frequent air traveler. **Please do not allow use of cell phones on planes.** I can't think of anything more disruptive. Business people can surely survive two or three hours with phone contact. The rest of the passenger use would be just inane dribble heard in grocery stores, theaters and other public places.

Bernard Gardetto

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From: Rod & Vicky Scott [rodvickyscott@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2005 8:29 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: BAN ON USING CELLULAR

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Office of the Secretary

I travel over 100, 00 miles by commercial airlines per year and I implore you to keep the ban on cellular phones on commercial aircraft!

If there is the slightest possibility they could interfere with the operation of the flight, I do not want my safety to be jeopardized because someone wants to kill time talking. This is a capricious use of technology!

Any serious communications can be handled by the methods currently available (thru the cockpit or the onboard phones).

The support for this is the result of a social addiction which has resulted in an increase in uncivil behavior. the governing body has a responsibility to not support this addiction.

The bottom line is there is no value added by lifting this ban but it would have tremendous downsides in the area of increased 'air rage'.

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Guy Benson**RECEIVED**

From: susan zimolzak [szimolz@epix.net]
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2005 3:29 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: cell phones in the air

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PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW CELL PHONES IN AIRPLANES!!! There will be unprecedented "air rage" if this is allowed. While waiting for flts .in the boarding area ,it becomes very nerve racking just listening to all the phone calls. Imagine being seated next to a cabby person on an international flts.!!! You haven't seen "air rage" like you are going to see if phones are allowed during flt.

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Guy Benson

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From: pat6@flash.net
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2005 11:19 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cellular Phone Use on Aircraft

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

As a citizen who commutes via airlines almost every week of the year, I would like to ask -- ok, **beg** -- the FCC to **NOT** approve the use of cellular phones on aircraft.

These are my concerns:

- (1) While people are conversing on cell phones they could miss important announcements by the flight attendants/pilot. The increased volume, chatter, and ringing phones could also interfere with others hearing these announcements.
- (2) If someone in a public area on the ground is seated near another person who is talking loudly or is otherwise annoying or intrusive, that person can simply leave the area, walk away from the annoyance. On a plane, you have **no options** -- you are seated elbow to elbow with your seat mate and in close proximity to many other passengers and cannot remove yourself from the area. The disruption caused by cell phone usage on aircraft is different from the occasional child crying or chatter between passengers. Cell phones ringing and multiple conversations portends a much higher volume of activity and more disruptive flight, increasing passenger discomfort in an already cramped space.

Since I spend many hours a week on a plane, I would appreciate having my comments added to other public comments presented to the FCC. If you are not the person to best address my concerns, I would appreciate knowing whom to contact.

Thank you for your help and support in this matter.

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From: Ray Williams Jr. [toiyabe12000@yahoo.com]

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Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2005 1:57 AM**To:** Guy BensonFederal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary**Subject:** oppose cell phone use on board commercial aircraft.

I am very much opposed to use of cell phone on Commercial flights, We know that they can be of help in the case of emergency but that is all. I was on a flight from Washington DC to Dallas Texas last fall and had two people near me that talked the whole flight. They were very rude. Ray Williams, Austin, Nevada

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Guy Benson

From: LOREN LITTLE [llittle85@isp.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2005 10:37 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: cell phone usage in planes

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commercial airliners: no, certainly don't need the annoyance and possible safety safety problems.

general aviation: no, pilots have plenty to keep track of.[i do have a private pilots license.

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MR. L. LITTLE, CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS
[ABILENE AREA]©

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Guy Benson

From: ISAAC GROVE [IEGROVE@TDS.NET]

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2005 9:16 PM

To: Guy Benson

Subject: Airborne useage of Cell phones.

Mr. Benson:

Enter 2 votes against this proposal.

I could not find how or where I could enter comments on this proposal so I am sending this message to you.

My wife and I fly about two times a year from ATL to SEA and occasionally overseas. I can not imagine sitting along side some one talking on a cell phone. If it were a short conversation, that would be OK but some people never shut up.

Please forward our comments to the appropriate office. Thanks

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Guy Benson

From: Jim Yoshinaka [jim.y@yoshinaka.net]

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2005 5:46 PM

To: Guy Benson

Subject: Wireless Phone Usage on Airplanes

Comment: I object to having cell phones be operated on airplanes in the voice mode. Let the user use blue tooth technology to communicate and let the rest of us have a bit of piece and quiet.

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Jim Yoshinaka

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Guy Benson

From: Joel Payne [flyplayne@mindspring.com]

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2005 1:28 PM

To: Guy Benson

Subject: Inflight wireless

Mr. Benson; I'm not sure this is where you are accepting public comments on WT Docket No. 04-435. If not, could you please forward it to the proper department? I am OPPOSED to the use of wireless transmissions while airborne. I feel the proposal would unduly affect those of us wishing to rest during a flight. Almost all aircraft have some residual noise while airborne. This would force the wireless passenger to raise their voice to compensate for it, and thus disturb other passengers. Thank you for your time. Sincerely; Joel Payne 201 Rowan Oak Pl. Fernandina Beach, Fl. 32034

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Guy Benson

From: Christi Toomer [clvrgrl7@sbcglobal.net]**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2005 9:59 PM**To:** Guy Benson**Subject:** Thanks for listening (reading!) this...

To whom it may concern:

It is bad enough that I have to tolerate people driving 4000 pound or more vehicles at 85 miles per hour while they drive but at least I don't have to listen to their conversations; however, if you allow these same idiots (like the ones that don't care who they cut off while talking and driving not to mention the red lights they run etc.) These will be the same people that will talk loudly and about inappropriate subjects in mixed company, not caring if anyone doesn't hold their same insensitive values. I will never fly again if you allow this to happen. I'll pay 5.00 per gallon of gas to drive across the country instead...

A soon to be not-so-frequent flyer!

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From: Stark, Mylon (McWane Corporate EHS Training Director) [mstark@clowvalve.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2005 9:44 PM
To: Guy Benson
Cc: Stark, Mylon (McWane Corporate EHS Training Director)
Subject: Proposed Use of Cellular Phones on Aircraft

Good Day: I linked to your e-mail address from the FCC's web page, having searched for information on the proposed use of cell phones on commercial aircraft flights. I trust you will forward my comments to the appropriate source.

As a "road warrior" who flies 4-6 times per month, I wish to express my vehement opposition to this action. As it is, passengers commonly chat during the safety communications provided by flight attendants. Beyond that, it is more often than not that passengers drone on and on during their flight. The idea of turning passengers loose with cellular phones during flights is, to say the least, frightening.

Our society has developed a collective "short fuse" and related spontaneous temperament (consider road rage, butting into lines at retail centers, et al). With 50, 100 or more people traveling as "captives" in an aircraft – and being exposed to the annoyance of continuous cellular phone calls, one can absolutely expect verbal confrontations; perhaps physical confrontations.

Flight attendants have enough to do in trying to ensure passenger safety. They certainly do not need to be referees or "bouncers" during flights. I absolutely believe that passenger safety, and the safe execution of flights, will be threatened by the use of cellular phones in-flight.

Please do NOT lift the restrictions on cell phones during commercial flights. If we cannot be without phone calls for 1 or more hours during air travel, we'd better take a hard look at our lives!

Thank you for this venue,

Mylon L. Stark

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Guy Benson

From: Mel B [use2mab@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2005 7:57 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: FCC04-288

I'm not sure if this is the right place, but I understand the FCC is taking public comments regarding the above referenced proposal to allow cell phone use on planes during flights. If not, please forward my comments to the appropriate party.

I am completely against the use of cell phones on planes. I am a frequent flyer. The thought of listening to just one, but probably more like dozens speaking on their cell phones during a flight is more than I can bear. Everyone speaks way to loudly on his or her phones (me included). I would not be able to sleep or enjoy a quiet conversation with the person sitting next to me.

I no longer go to the movies because I can't stand having to listen to the few rude people who insist on talking on their cell phones. That was an easy choice. Going to the movies is an option. Flying is not. I would have no way of avoiding these rude people except for complaining to the flight attendant.

I equate cell phone usage on planes with smoking on planes. Cell phones is just different pollutant I would have to endure to the detriment of my health. My stress level will go way up for having to listen to all of those loud and disjointed cell phone conversations.

It was very happy day for me when smoking was banned on planes. That wrong was rightfully corrected. I hope you can avoid making a similar mistake with this cell phone issue.

Sincerely,
Melody Boehl
Sacramento, CA

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Guy Benson

From: Judkiewicz, Allen [allen.l.judkiewicz.jr@saic.com]**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2005 7:26 AM**To:** Guy Benson**Subject:** NO to cell phones on aircraft during flight...

As a frequent flyer, FAA contractor, and aviation enthusiast, I say NO to cell phones during in-flight operations. An aircraft cabin is a tight uncomfortable tube...cell phone conversations would force those passengers not needing to use a cell phone or use the flight time for 'downtime' to be in a phone booth with upto 150 conversations occurring at the same time.

Thanks for listening...if this is not the proper address to submit this before public comment is closed, please forward or let me know the proper address.

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Guy Benson

From: Daniel Littley [dlittley@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, April 04, 2005 8:32 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: WT Docket No. 04-435

Dear Sir,

I am writing concerning the Proposal by the FCC, in coordination with the FAA, to relax the rule on use of cell phones on commercial aircraft. As a frequent traveler, approximately 35-40,000 per year, I am strongly against any relaxation of cell phone use on an aircraft. It is bad enough now in getting people who have to get that last word in before take-off, and the ones who can't wait to call someone when the land, even at Midnight. I have flown on a number of occasions last last year from San Jose, Denver, Dallas, and Minnesota to Philadelphia. I dread the thought of being seated next to someone who wants to show how important they are, or who do not know how to have a quiet telephone conversation.

There is enough problems in the air today with late take-offs, lost luggage, and children/adults who don't know how to behave in a mass travel environment. Please do not unleash the cell phone on us at 33,000 feet. Even Amtrak has a silence/no cell phone/no pager car. We won't have that luxury at altitude.

I hope you are right office/person to send this message to. If not I apologize. If you could inform me of the correct address to send this concern to, I would be most appreciative.

Thank you,

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From: Shannon McMahon [smcmahon@interwoven.com]
Sent: Monday, April 04, 2005 7:03 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Re: FCC TO EXAMINE BAN ON USING CELLULAR TELEPHONES ON AIRBORNE AIRCRAFT

Hi,

Is there a web site or email address that a person can go to to register their opinion about this? As a frequent flier, I think this is a bad idea. It's bad enough that we're exposed to the noise pollution of cell phone users on the ground, but at least we can usually move away from the offender. I can't imagine being stuck on a 5 hour flight next to a non-stop cell phone user who is talking at top volume. I think you could potentially end up with an increase in air rage. Just imagine: you're a smoker, you haven't had a cigarette in 3 hours, and the person next to you is yakking away while you're trying to watch the in-flight movie. It's enough to make you want to put a pillow over their face (assuming, of course, that your airline still supplies pillows). Now add alcohol consumption to the mix, and.... you get the idea. :-)

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Guy Benson

From: Don Ross [therosses@qwest.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2005 2:18 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cell phones on Commercial Aircraft
Mr Benson,

I am an airline pilot and I am opposed to allowing cell phone operation on aircraft after takeoff. Following are the reasons:

1. If an emergency were to occur immediately after takeoff, the flight attendants will need the complete attention of the passengers for emergency instructions. The time spent in telling passengers to stow their phones is time not available for critical instructions.
2. There are numerous times in-flight when PA's are made and we wish the attention of the passengers. While CD players are allowed, adding cell phones to the list will exacerbate the lack of attention of the passengers to in-flight crew member instruction regarding turbulence or other safety concerns.
3. If a terrorist is planning an attack on an airliner, what better means to coordinate than in-flight, on a cell phone?

I believe that if we say that safety is the #1 priority, we should not allow cell phones in-flight. Other wireless for computers and PDAs might be acceptable but the nature of the cell phone and its ability to take our attention away from surrounding activities and priorities, renders their use in-flight a hazard.

Thank you,

Donald Ross
Captain, Major US Carrier

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Guy Benson

From: Tom Odenweller [tom@tkofohio.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2005 9:05 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Cell phones in airplanes

I would like to register my opposition to use of cell phones in airplanes. The cabin of an airplane is too close of an area to allow cell phone use. Talking in a normal tone, or even in a reduced tone, would be very annoying to the other people on the plane. I've been on many planes where one or two people were on their phones while the plane was at the gate or near the gate. It was amazing how noisy they were.

There is no way of knowing how many passengers want to sleep on any given flight. Think about how uncomfortable it would be if you've been awake for 16 hours and the person beside you is carrying on a conversation with someone on a phone while you are trying to sleep. We've all read about or seen instances of "road rage". How many times will the annoyance of these phones bring to the surface rage on airplanes. I can tell you that while I've never been a victim or a perpetrator of road rage, I have been close to being annoyed to the point where I felt like shouting over the voice of the person talking on the phone in a plane, and who knows what his response would have been if I would have done so?

Don't allow phone use on airplanes. It isn't necessary and it will make travel even more stressful.

Tom Odenweller
Delphos, Ohio

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Guy Benson

From: Dorian Cushing [twinpalms@summergrove.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2005 8:32 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: cell phone ban

Dear Sir,

As a flight attendant I must state that cell phones being used while in flight is a very BAD idea. The cabin is noisy enough with the drone of the engines and human conversation(not to mention babies crying)! To add the noise of phones ringing would be deafening. Please don't allow using cellphones during flight to become a reality.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Dorian Cushing

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Guy Benson

From: Pam eHarmony [suspension@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2005 4:13 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: cell phones on planes - Just Say No!

Dear sir:

I am writing to strongly encourage you to strongly encourage your colleagues NOT to approve in-flight cell phone usage. As I am sure you know, the majority of the public is against it. If you go forth, you are obviously demonstrating that your allegiances lie with businesses rather than with consumers. But aren't you a consumer, a person, rather than a business yourself? Wouldn't you rather support other fellow humans over businesses?

I am sure my words, as with the words of 70% of the public, have no weight. However, I urge you to consider keeping the air in air quiet.

Thank you,
Susan
Seattle, WA

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Guy Benson**From:** Brian Ward [bward@BBGSLAW.com]**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2005 3:40 PM**To:** Guy Benson**Subject:** Cell Phones on Airplanes

I urge the FCC not to allow the expanded use of cell phones on airplanes. It is bad enough in the airport, restaurant, etc that you have the ringing of cell phone and get to hear about how Buffy doesn't like Tiffany or whether or not one company should close the deal with another, etc. At least in the air, there is some semblance of solitude. Could you imagine sitting next to a guy yakking on the phone for five hours while traveling across the country? At least now I have a chance for some relative quiet while traveling and get a chance at being next to somebody who won't talk for hours on end.

Thank you.

Brian Ward
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Guy Benson

From: J.William Turney [jwmt@worldnet.att.net]**Sent:** Sunday, March 27, 2005 5:55 PM**To:** Guy Benson**Subject:** cell phones on commercial airplanes

I want to fly in peace...at least as best I can with loudmouth passengers, screaming babies, and active children.

If I get trapped in a seat next to a discourteous cell phone user (are there many other kinds?) what can I do? Ask politely to let me travel in peace? That doesn't work in restaurants - where greater separation exists - maybe I could start having a similar conversation, with myself, to demonstrate how annoying it can be. Will that be well received by the cell phone inconsiderate? No, I think not. And, what then...?

This is a bad idea. Yes, we poor citizens know that there are very well funded advocates for certain commercial interests, but I hope your investigation will take the time to experience the horror of sitting next to a arrogant cell phone user.

Sincerely

James W. Turney
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Guy Benson

From: Rick Bowman [rmbowma@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, March 26, 2005 3:11 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: Use of Cell Phones on Commercial Airplanes

Hi, Mr. Benson. I don't know if you are the person who is responsible for collecting feedback on the possible allowance of cell phones to be used in-flight on commercial airplanes but I don't know who else to send my email. If you are not the correct person, please forward my email to the correct email address.

As a citizen and business person, I want the FCC to know that I am 100% against the use of cell phones in-flight. Unfortunately, many people do not practice good cell phone manners on public transportation like the "L" here in Chicago or a train that I use between Chicago and Milwaukee. I think I'm going to scream before I get off these trains because these people yammer on and on and on, never shut-up, or lower their voices. Even if people lowered their voices, I think the elevated noise level would still be very distracting and not desireable.

The quiet of the airplane cabin is very nice for relaxing and quietly working on my PC. I'm very in favor of allowing Internet access from the planes but cell phones, no way.

Thank you.

Rick Bowman

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From: Snodgrass, Steven (NIH/NCI) [snodgras@intra.nci.nih.gov]
Sent: Friday, March 25, 2005 4:14 PM
To: FCCINFO; Guy Benson
Subject: cell phone use on airline flights

I am writing in response to your solicitation for comments regarding cell phone use on flights. As a business traveler, I find that the relatively quiet time I have on flights is invaluable to getting work done. It is the only place I cannot be reached, and this fact has contributed significantly to making my flights very productive. I can work without cell phone interruptions. I can concentrate in peace. In addition, my fellow travelers do not disturb me because they cannot receive or make calls. I cannot imagine the cacophony on my next flight if passengers could use their cell phones. Thank you for soliciting comments.

Question: Is the FAA considering any changes to its regulations on using cell phones in flight?

Answer: No. Our regulations currently prohibit using cell phones in flight because of safety concerns and we are not considering any changes.

However, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is currently soliciting comments on proposed changes in its own regulations, which address spectrum concerns.

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**FCC TO EXAMINE BAN ON USING CELLULAR
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WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, the Federal Communications Commission proposed to relax its current ban on the use of cellular telephones on airborne aircraft.

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Guy Benson

From: Joanne DeYoung [JoanneDeYoung@mrhs.org]
Sent: Friday, March 25, 2005 12:19 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: cell phone use on planes

Mr. Benson:

Just say no to this madness. Please. Let's envision 200 out of 300 passengers on an airplane all talking on their cell phones...no, no not talking, SHOUTING on their cell phones, and not one of them are talking to each other so there is a din of yelling voices and buzzes, rings and lets not forget "oh when the saints come marching in" every time the phones are activated. Can we say AIR RAGE?

The only good part of air travel is the relative peace that surrounds me once I get into my seat and we are in the air. Please. No cell phones.

Oh, and then there's that safety issue.....

Sincerely,

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Guy Benson

From: Eric Sanford [ericsan@earthlink.net]
Sent: Friday, March 18, 2005 8:31 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: re: Docket WT 04-435

Sir;

I would like to go on record as being VERY MUCH IN FAVOR of allowing cell phone use by passengers on commercial aircraft while airborne. As a private pilot and electrical engineer I know of no technical reasons why this would in any way interfere with the operation of a commercial aircraft in any way.

Thank you.

Eric Sanford

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Guy Benson**EX PARTE OR LATE FILED****From:** prspooner [prspooner@adelphia.net]**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2005 5:26 PM**To:** Guy Benson**Subject:** Proposal to Allow Passenger Cell Phone Use on Commercial Aircraft

Dear Mr. Benson, I hope that you are the correct contact person for comments on this proposed rule. If not please forward my comments or email me to let me know who I should direct my comments to. Regarding the proposal:

I am a frequent flyer regularly traveling on dozens of commercial flights each year. I seldom witness anyone using the available phones which are often provided on planes. I believe that this is because of the expense of such service and because it is often noisy and thus hard to hear. I also see the rush to make personal cell phone calls immediately upon confirmation after landing that it is acceptable to do so. Many of these calls are unnecessary and completed to tell someone "that I am sitting on a jet at the airport etc.". It is easy to hear the rise in sound level of voices competing with one another to ensure that the party called "hears" the caller. The proposal to allow this on commercial flights will, if allowed, ensure that nobody has a moments peace on any flight. The situation will be similar to that encountered in restaurants, malls etc except that the none callers will not be able to leave -- instead they will be held captive for the duration of the flight with cell phones ringing endlessly.

Please do not allow this to happen and do not approve the proposal to allow individuals to use their own cell phones on commercial flights.

Thanks you for allowing me to express my opinion on this issue.

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